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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: MÜCKTER-2

In re Application of:)
HELMUT MÜCKTER) Examiner: Willse, David H
Appl. No.: 10/601,280) Group Art Unit: 3738
Filed: June 20, 2003)
For: BLOOD PUMP WITH IMPELLER)

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above application in response to the Official Action of December 9, 2005 having a shortened period for response terminating March 9, 2006.

The Commissioner is hereby petitioned to extend the period for response to above-referenced Official Action by ONE month until April 10, 2006.

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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116, previously filed on .
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .
 - iii. Other

- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/reply.
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other

2. Miscellaneous

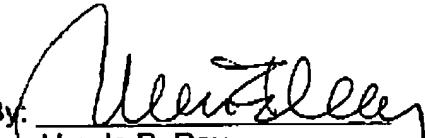
- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103 (c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
 - b. Other
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3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- Applicant claims small entity status pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.27.
- a. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-0502.
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other
 - b. Check in the amount of \$ enclosed
 - c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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- d. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-0502.

Respectfully submitted,

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